RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION

Resolution No. ____ 00-91-DSB

Whereas, This nation having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 13, 1934, and the authority under said Act; and

Whereas, This Constitution of the Three Affiliated Tribes generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and.

Whereas, The Congress has recognized that the history of past educational policies of the United States toward the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara tribal languages has resulted in a dramatic decrease in the knowledge and use of the fundamental cultural practice amongst the Three Affiliated Tribes enrolled membership; and,

Whereas, The Fort Berthold Community College must work hand-in-hand with the Three Affiliated Tribes to continue our own community based language restoration programs; developing approaches and methods of the tribal teaching of our native languages in assuring the survival and continuing vitality of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara languages; and,

Whereas, The Three Affiliated Tribes recognizes that it is the responsibility of the educational leadership of the tribal college to develop our own language plans, technical capabilities, and access to the necessary financial and technical resources in order to assure the survival and continuing vitality of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara languages.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Tribal Business Council fully supports this critical tribal educational goal and will provide support as deemed necessary to complete grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby authorizes the Fort Berthold Community College to submit a Language Grant application to the Administration for Native Americans on our behalf.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation, hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of 7 members of whom 5 constitute a quorum, 7 were present at a **Special** Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the 10th day of March 2000; that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such Meeting by the Affirmative vote of 6 members, 0 members opposed, 0 members abstained, and 1 members not voting; and said Resolution has not been amended or rescinded in any way.

Dated the 10th day of March, 2000.

ATTEST

Chairman, Tribal Business Council

Secretary, Tribal Business Council